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- (a) The Department may contract with an operator to provide at-risk youth in the State with the opportunity to participate in a program.
- (b) The operator shall meet the qualifications established by the Department including:
 - (1) Previous experience with a comparable program;
 - (2) Measured success with a comparable program; and
- (3) The capacity to finance and secure private funds for the development of a campus for the program.
- (c) (1) The operator shall adopt written standards for the admission and dismissal of students.
- (2) The standards and any amendments shall be submitted to the State Board for approval.
- (3) The State Board may require modifications to the standards as it considers necessary.
- (d) The operator shall submit its charter and bylaws to the State Board for approval.
- (e) The operator shall conduct an outreach program for each local education agency in the State to:
- (1) Provide information to the local education agency about the program; and
- (2) Encourage student recruitment and participation from each county in the State.

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